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DATE: August 20, 2012

TO: All Judges, All Court Commissioners, District Court Administrator, Deputy District Court Administrator, County Executive, Clerk of Circuit Court, Corporation Counsel, Sheriff, District Attorney, City Attorney, Public Defender, Court Coordinators, Managing Court Reporter, CCAP, Legal Resource Center, IMSD, Facilities Management, and Press

FROM: Chief Judge Jeffrey A. Kremers

RE: MILWAUKEE COUNTY FAMILY COURT COMMISSIONER

WHEREAS: Michael Bruch served admirably as Milwaukee County Deputy Family Court Commissioner from August of 1988 to December of 1995 and has served with even greater distinction as The Family Court Commissioner from 1995 until the present, and

WHEREAS: Michael Bruch has provided exemplary service to the people of Milwaukee County for his entire career and brought statewide and national recognition to the Family Courts of Milwaukee, and

WHEREAS: Michael Bruch has indicated his intention to retire effective at the end of September 2012, and

WHEREAS: Deputy Family Court Commissioner Sandra Grady has worked in the Family Courts since 1988,

NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

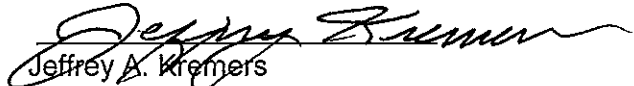
That, effective October 1, 2012

1. Michael Bruch is to enjoy his retirement with appreciation from the citizens of Milwaukee County for his years of service.

2. Pursuant to Wis. Stat. §757.68 (2m) (b) and SCR 75.02(1) Sandra Grady is appointed The Family Court Commissioner for Milwaukee County.

Dated at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, this 20th day of August, 2012.

BY THE COURT


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BRUCH RETIRES AS FAMILY COURT COMMISSIONER

After nearly 20 years as the Family Court Commissioner Mike Bruch is leaving his position for retirement effective October 1.

“Mike leaves behind a legacy of dedication to his work and service to the citizens of Milwaukee County,” said Chief Judge Jeffrey A. Kremers. “The Family courts can be very stressful for both the litigants and the commissioners as well but Mike is known for treating those who came before him with a level of respect and understanding that is a tribute to him and to the system.”

Bruch, a graduate of Marquette University Law School, began employment with Milwaukee County as the Deputy Family Court Commissioner in 1988. He was appointed Family Court Commissioner by the late Chief Judge Patrick Sheedy in 1995. In that role, he supervised the activities of nine other commissioners hearing preliminary matters in divorce and child support, harassment and domestic violence restraining order requests in addition to being responsible for administrative matters and policy.

Deputy Family Court Commissioner Sandra Grady will move into Bruch’s position upon his departure.

Chief Judge Kremers issued a directive which is attached.

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